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SUBJECT: LAWSUIT INVOLVING POTENTIAL IV GRANTEE AND
WFC CORP

REFERENCES: (A) ABU DHABI 1469, (B) ABU DHABI 1426, (C)
USIAC WASHDC 7870, (D) STATE 109305, (E) ABU DHABI 1174
AND PREVIOUS

1. ICA/NEA AND NEA/ARP HAVE CONSULTED WITH L/NEA IN
RESPONSE TO POST'S QUESTIONS PER PARA 6 REFTEL B.
2. WE ARE STILL TRYING TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER H-C COUNTER-
SUIT IS BEFORE FLORIDA STATE COURT OR U.S. FEDERAL DISTRICT
COURT, AND WILL NOTIFY POST ON THIS POINT ASAP. IF SUIT IS
IN FLORIDA COURT, THEN COMPLAINT MAY BE SERVABLE NOT ONLY
IN STATE OF FLORIDA, BUT ALSO OUTSIDE OF STATE IF LONG-ARM
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STATUTE IS ON THE BOOKS AND IS APPLICABLE TO THE SUBJECT
MATTER OF THE SUIT IN QUESTION. WHILE UNDER NORMAL
CIRCUMSTANCES, A SUBPOENA ISSUING FROM A STATE COURT CAN
BE SERVED ONLY IN THAT STATE, LEGAL PROCEDURES EXIST FOR
EFFECTING SERVICE OUT-OF-STATE. WHETHER SUCH PROCEDURES
WOULD APPLY IN THIS CASE DEPENDS UPON WHICH STATES THE
SHAIKH VISITED, AMONG OTHER FACTORS.

3. IF SUIT IS IN FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT, THEN SHAIKH HUMAID COULD BE SERVED WITH SUBPOENA OR COMPLAINT ANYWHERE IN U.S. AND DEPARTMENT CAN OFFER HIM NO REPEAT NO PROTECTION FROM POSSIBLE ACTION BY H-C ATTORNEYS OR AGENTS.

4. THE SHAIKH WOULD NOT ENJOY DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY FROM LEGAL ACTION, AS THIS IMMUNITY IS RESERVED FOR DIPLOMATS ACCREDITED TO THE U.S. AND VISITING HEADS OF STATE ONLY.

5. PLEASE ADVISE RE STATUS OF IV GRANT ASAP.
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